SCIROCCO TOOL TO ASSESS READINESS FOR INTEGRATED CARE

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Integrated Care at Scale

- Integrated care: more appropriate care - more efficiently
- At scale: learn from others – transfer good practice
- Good practice leverages features of the context
- The health and care system is the context
- Introduce the idea of “maturity” to capture readiness for integrated care
Sirocco Maturity Model Tool

Based on the Maturity Model developed by the Action Group on Integrated Care of EIP on AHA

Eases the adoption of Integrated Care by:

- Defining Maturity to adopt Integrated Care
- Assessing the Maturity of Healthcare Systems
- Assessing Maturity Requirements of Good Practices
- Supporting Twinning and Coaching to transfer good practices
The EIP on AHA Maturity Model

- Based on interviews with Health and Care systems across Europe.
- Maturity Model for Integrated Care has 12 dimensions
- Each dimension is rated on a 0-5 scale
- The rating scale has face validity via a Delphi process
- Each point on the rating scale has a brief explanation.
- Each dimension has an explanatory Narrative
The Maturity Model
Dimensions and Assessment Scales

1. Readiness to Change (to enable more integrated care)
   0 – No acknowledgement of compelling need to change
   1 – Compelling need is recognised, but no clear vision or strategic plan
   2 – Dialogue and consensus-building underway; plan being developed
   3 – Vision or plan embedded in policy; leaders and champions emerging
   4 – Leadership, vision and plan clear to the general public; pressure for change
   5 – Political consensus; public support; visible stakeholder engagement.

2. Structure and Governance
   0 – Fragmented structure and governance in place
   1 – Recognition of the need for structural and governance change
   2 – Formation of task forces, alliances and other informal ways of collaborating
   3 – Governance established at a regional or national level
   4 – Roadmap for a change programme defined and broadly accepted
   5 – Full, integrated programme established, with funding and a clear mandate.
1. Readiness to Change (to enable more integrated care)

If the existing systems of care need to be re-designed to provide a more integrated set of services, this will require change across many levels, the creation of new roles, processes and working practices, and new systems to support information sharing and collaboration across care teams. This will be disruptive and may be viewed negatively by workers, press and public, so a clear case needs to be made for those changes, including a justification, a strategic plan, and a vision of better care.

- Creating a compelling vision, with a real sense of urgency, and enlisting stakeholder support including political leadership, management, care professionals, public and press.
- Accepting the reality that care systems are unsustainable and need to change.
- Publishing a clear description of the issues, the choices that need to be made, and the desired future state of the care systems, stating what will be the future experience of care.
- Creating a sense of urgency to ensure sustained focus, and building a ‘guiding coalition’ for change.
ASSESSING THE MATURITY OF A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
Methodology

➢ The Maturity Model has many dimensions
➢ No single individual or group “owns” a dimension
➢ For each dimensions there are multiple perspectives
➢ Methodology aims:
   □ To rate the maturity of the health and care system on each dimension.
   □ To justify the rating using whatever evidence is available.
   □ To negotiate the rating across the stakeholders
➢ To build a tool that supports this
A Multidisciplinary Team

Doctor

IT Specialist

Nurse

Administrator
Diversity of the Team

- There are several potential dimensions of diversity e.g. functional, organisational, seniority, inclusiveness.
- Recent experience in Norbotten suggests a senior decision taker is important to include.
- A citizen perspective may also be important on some dimensions.
- Diversity will also relate to the scope of the assessment.
- The four roles chosen for the illustration are not definitive.
Using the Tool

New Maturity Model Questionnaire

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11 Q12

3. Information & eHealth Services

- Information systems are not designed to support integrated care
- Information and eHealth services to support integrated care are being piloted
- Information and eHealth services to support integrated care are deployed but there is not yet region-wide coverage
- Information and eHealth services to support integrated care are available via a region-wide service but use of these services is not mandated
- Mandated or funded use of regional/national eHealth infrastructure across the healthcare system
- Universal, at-scale regional/national eHealth services used by all integrated care stakeholders

If someone asked you to justify your rating here what would you say (please provide a few short sentences):

So far there is no plan to develop a shared record but there is some experimentation

How confident are you of your rating?

High
The doctor
The nurse
The IT Professional
The Administrator
Discussion/Negotiation

Yes, but getting the devices to interoperate is a nightmare!

We are all using HL7 FHIR

This will all be resolved soon, as we are joining an international standards group for devices
Discussion/Negotiation Decision
So much of what we do still uses paper!

I haven't spoken enough with admins from other regions so I don't know

This is true, but our plans for Integration between and across levels are more ambitious than in neighbouring regions

I don't know
Discussion/Negotiation Decision
Final Consensus
ASSESSING MATURITY REQUIREMENTS OF A GOOD PRACTICE
Good Practice Maturity Requirements

- Good practice has some evidence of enabling integrated care in some health system.
- Maturity requirements capture how a good practice depends on some aspects of a dimension.
- Assessment uses the Scirocco tool to capture these dependencies.
- The methodology is work in progress.
- Maturity requirements of good practices are often specific versions of generic features:
  - How to substitute one feature for another.
  - How to adjust processes to fit better in a different context.
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How confident are you of your rating?

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Comparing system and Practice

**Individual questionnaires:**

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7. Population Approach

- Population health approach is not applied to the provision of integrated care services
- A population risk approach is applied to integrated care services but not yet systematically or to the full population
- Risk stratification is used systematically for certain parts of the population (e.g. high-use categories)
- Group risk stratification for those who are at risk of becoming frequent service users
- Population-wide risk stratification started but not fully acted on
- Whole population stratification deployed and fully implemented

If someone asked you to justify your rating here what would you say (please provide a few short sentences):

There needs to be a good understanding of population risk stratification in order to select the sub-population for whom ACP is most beneficial.

There is some experience with risk stratification but this is not applied systematically.
Adopting a Good practice

► Tool provides a focus for discussion on potentially “difficult” issues in adoption.
► Visually represents the fit of a good practice into a health and care system
► The justification helps structure discussion on how best to manage difficulty
Current Position

- In use to assess health and care systems of Scirocco partners.
- In use by other EIPonAHA members.
- The tool is a “probe” gathering information on use and requirements.
- E.g. Flanders have identified the need for a “movie” of the evolution of the maturity of a system.
- Justifications capture the sorts of elements that are important in supporting an assessment.
Next steps

- We have a documented methodology for assessing the maturity of health systems – need to document for maturity requirements of good practices.
- Provide more structure for justifications.
- Consider support for multi-language working… (tool already has considered localisation).
- Support for twinning and coaching
- More in-depth evaluation
- More consideration of the structure of the health and care system
THANK YOU!

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